



## **Army Quartermaster Foundation, Incorporated**

Post Office Box A  
Fort Lee, Virginia 23801  
804--734-4339

25 January 2006

Office of the Quartermaster General  
U. S. Army Quartermaster Center and School  
1201 22d Street  
Fort Lee, VA 23801-1601

Recommend Colonel (Ret) Karl C. Rush for selection as a Distinguished Member of the Quartermaster Regiment (DMOR).

Colonel Rush's distinguished career began in 1956 when he was commissioned into the Regular Army as a Quartermaster Officer. During that period Regular Army officers were initially detailed to one of the Combat Arms. Colonel Rush spent two years at Fort Benning, GA as a platoon leader, and company executive officer in the 2d Battle Group, 38th Infantry. Upon completion of the detail, Colonel Rush was assigned to the Company Officers' Course at the Quartermaster School and began his Quartermaster Career. A career synopsis is attached at Enclosure 1.

Colonel Rush developed long standing ties with the Quartermaster Center and School starting in 1958. He served in the 94th Quartermaster Battalion, Commanded the 4th Battalion (now 244th Battalion), QM School Regiment; was the Secretary of the Quartermaster School; the Director of the Enlisted Supply Department and the Director of Training Development.


As Director of the Enlisted Supply Department, Colonel Rush made one of his greatest contributions to the Quartermaster Corps. He initiated self paced supply training which at that time saved the Army significant funding and reduced the length of time a student stayed in the training base.

Because of these pioneer efforts, when the TRADOC School Model 76 was implemented by General DePew, Colonel Rush was selected to fill the critical position of Director of Training Development. This position was essential to instituting revolutionary new training methods which directly impacted the success or failure of the training mission of the Quartermaster School.

Colonel Rush handled the assignment with such skill and resourcefulness that the Quartermaster School, under MG VanLydergraf and MG Sheffey received special recognition for the high quality of its enlisted training program. Colonel Rush through his vision and leadership motivated the Training Directorates and Departments to reach these high levels of quality. (Enclosure 2)

After retiring from the Army in 1978 (Enclosure 3), Colonel Rush went on to a second successful career with the State of Virginia. Upon his retirement from the State, he then became an active, enthusiastic member of the Board of Directors of the Quartermaster Foundation.

Because of this exceptional contribution to the Quartermaster School at a critical juncture in the training of Quartermaster soldiers, Colonel Karl C. Rush is nominated for selection as a Distinguished Member of the Quartermaster Regiment.

  
ROBERT C. BARRETT  
Colonel, USA (Retired)  
President

3 Enclosures  
as

COLONEL KARL C. RUSH

June 1956	Commissioned as a Regular Army Quartermaster Officer through the ROTC Program at Pennsylvania State University.
August 1959 - Sep 1961	Graduate School Cornell University. Received Master of Science Degree in Sept 1961 Major in Food Science.
October 1961 - June 1964	U S Army Supply Control Agency, Giessen, Germany Implemented MILSTRIP (AR 725-50) for Brand Name Resale Non-Perishable Subsistence and Troop Issue Subsistence for the Theater in support of 121 commissaries and U S Army units in Europe.  Served as Chief, Stock Accounting Branch for Subsistence Division. Managed the Subsistence account for the Theater to include a \$180,000,000 Stock Fund Budget and \$60,000,000 O&MA Budget that support all local procurement and all Subsistence field buying offices and cold storage facilities within the theater (a total of five local procurement offices and three cold stores).
July 1964 - Dec 1964	QM Officer Advanced Course, Fort Lee, Virginia.
Dec 1964 - July 1965	Served as S2/S3 and Executive Officer, 94th QM Direct Support Battalion, Fort Lee, Virginia.
July 1965 - July 1966	Deployed with 504 Field Depot Company from Fort Lee, VA to Cam Ranh Bay, Vietnam. Served as Director of Services for the Field Depot and helped establish the Depot and Support Command at Cam Ranh Bay.
July 1966 - June 1968	Served as Chief, Quality Assurance Division, Directorate of Technical Operations, Defense General Supply Center, Richmond, VA. Provided total quality assurance support to DGSC's procurement, distribution and storage mission.

August 1968 - June 1969	USA C&GSC, Fort Leavenworth, KS.
June 1969 - June 1971	HQ, AMC. Assigned as Manager and AMC Action Officer for clothing, helmets and body armor program in the Individual and General Equipment Division of the R&D Directorate. Responsible for oversight and management of the Lightweight Individual Clothing and Equipment R&D Program and the 5 year helmet and body armor program. Covered total aspect of the program from Basic Research to type classification and fielding.
July 1971 - July 1972	Assigned as Chief Redeployment Branch, Retrograde Division, TCSLOG, USARV. Responsible for working with all units standing down in Operation Keystone (withdrawal of forces from Vietnam) to accomplish turn in, maintenance classification and distribution of assets of units standing down (see attached narrative for LOM).
July 1972 - Jan/Feb 1974	Commander, 4th Battalion (now 244 <sup>th</sup> Bn) QM School Regiment.
Feb 1974 - April 1975	Secretary, US Army QM School
April 1975 - Jan/Feb 1976	Director, Enlisted Training Department
Jan/Feb 1976	Assumed duties as Chief Course Development Division, Directorate of Training Development.
January 1977	Assumed duties as Director, Training Development. Responsible for implementation of School Model 76 and reorganization of QM School to support this effort.
June 1978	Retired from Active Duty.

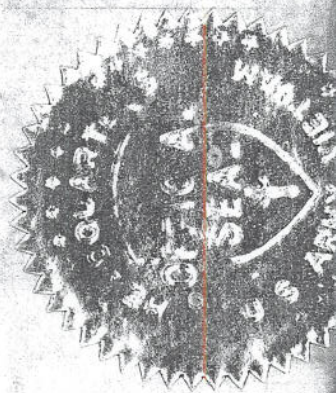


By direction of the President, the Legion of Merit

is awarded to

LIEUTENANT COLONEL KARL C. RUSH, 183-26-9531, QUARTERMASTER CORPS  
UNITED STATES ARMY

who distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period July 1971 to July 1972 while serving as Chief, Redeployment Branch, Retrograde Division, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Headquarters, United States Army Vietnam. Through the application of dynamic leadership, rare foresight and sound principles of logistics management, Lieutenant Colonel Rush overcame and minimized the multitude of complex problems associated with five separate incremental redeployment operations involving over 150,000 Army troops and over 600,000 items of equipment. Among the innovations he initiated were assignment of project officers to serve as one focal point for each major redeploying unit; the development of detailed procedures to fill TOE shortages of units redeploying with equipment from USARV depot assets; and establishment of a reporting system which insured that all high interest units were redeployed or inactivated on schedule. He directed and personally participated in the up-dating, revising and republishing of the basic document for equipment redeployment, Annex F (Logistics), to USARV OPLAN 183. By obtaining disposition instructions and relief in areas which had previously impeded the flow of retrograde, he assisted materially in attaining record retrograde shipments during the months of February and March 1972. Lieutenant Colonel Rush's professional competence and outstanding achievements are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit upon himself, this headquarters and the United States Army.



THIS IS AN IMPORTANT RECORD  
SAFEGUARD IT.

1. LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE NAME RUSH, KARL COOK			2. SEX M		3. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER 183   26   9531			4. DATE OF BIRTH YEAR: 35 MONTH: 02 DAY: 14			
5. DEPARTMENT, COMPONENT AND BRANCH OR CLASS ARMY - RA - QM			6a. GRADE, RATE OR RANK COLONEL			b. PAY GRADE 0-6		7. DATE OF RANK YEAR: 75 MONTH: 11 DAY: 05			
8a. SELECTIVE SERVICE NUMBER NA		8b. SELECTIVE SERVICE LOCAL BOARD NUMBER, CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE NA			c. HOME OF RECORD AT TIME OF ENTRY INTO ACTIVE SERVICE (Street, RFD, City, State and ZIP Code) State College, PA						
9a. TYPE OF SEPARATION Retirement			9b. STATION OR INSTALLATION AT WHICH EFFECTED Fort Lee, VA								
10. CHARACTER OF SERVICE HONORABLE			11. TYPE OF CERTIFICATE ISSUED DD Form 363A			12. REENLISTMENT CODE NA					
13. LAST DUTY ASSIGNMENT AND MAJOR COMMAND HHC, USAQMSBde, Ft Lee, VA TC			14. COMMAND TO WHICH TRANSFERRED NA								
15. TERMINAL DATE OF RESERVE/MSR OBLIGATION YEAR: NA MONTH: NA DAY: NA			16. PLACE OF ENTRY INTO CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE (City, State and ZIP Code) Munhall, PA					17. DATE ENTERED ACTIVE DUTY THIS PERIOD YEAR: 56 MONTH: 06 DAY: 15			
18a. PRIMARY SPECIALTY NUMBER AND TITLE 92 Supply Management Officer 76-11-15			18b. RELATED CIVILIAN OCCUPATION AND D.O.T. NUMBER Manager, Production 183.118			19. RECORD OF SERVICE			20. DATE ENTERED ACTIVE DUTY THIS PERIOD		
19a. SECONDARY SPECIALTY NUMBER AND TITLE 51 Research & Development Officer 76-11-15			19b. RELATED CIVILIAN OCCUPATION AND D.O.T. NUMBER Chemical Engineer 008.081			20a. NET ACTIVE SERVICE THIS PERIOD 22			20b. MONTHS 0		
						20c. PRIOR ACTIVE SERVICE 0			20d. DAYS 0		
						20e. TOTAL ACTIVE SERVICE (a + b) 22			20f. MONTHS 0		
						20g. PRIOR INACTIVE SERVICE 0			20h. DAYS 6		
						20i. TOTAL SERVICE FOR PAY (c + d) 22			20j. MONTHS 0		
						20k. FOREIGN AND/OR SEA SERVICE THIS PERIOD 4			20l. DAYS 6		
21. TIME LOST (Preceding Two Yrs) None			22. DAYS ACCRUED LEAVE PAID 60			23. SERVICEMEN'S GROUP LIFE INSURANCE COVERAGE <input type="checkbox"/> \$15,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$5,000 x \$20,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> NONE			24. DISABILITY SEVERANCE PAY <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES NA AMOUNT		
25. INDOCHINA OR KOREA SERVICE SINCE AUGUST 5, 1964 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO See #27			26. HIGHEST EDUCATION LEVEL SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED (In Years) SECONDARY/HIGH SCHOOL 12 YRS (1-12 grades) COLLEGE 6 YRS								
27. PERSONNEL SECURITY INVESTIGATION a. TYPE NAC BI			28. DATE COMPLETED 70-06-04 65-06-18								
29. DECORATIONS, MEDALS, BADGES, COMMENDATIONS, CITATIONS AND CAMPAIGN RIBBONS AWARDED OR AUTHORIZED LM w/10LC BSM MSM JSCM ARCOM NDSM VSM RVNMC w/60 Device RVNCOFGUC w/ Palm											
30. REMARKS Item 19: 27 Jul 65 - 18 Jul 66 & 3 Jul 71 - 5 Jun 72 - RVN Individual requests a copy of DD Form 214 <u>AK</u> Individual does not request optional form <u>AK</u>											
31. MAILING ADDRESS AFTER SEPARATION (Street, RFD, City, County, State and ZIP Code) 113 Seaton Drive Colonial Heights, VA 23834						32. SIGNATURE OF PERSON BEING SEPARATED Karl Cook Rush					
33. TYPED NAME, GRADE AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZING OFFICER RICHARD A. BAILEY, SFC, Chief, Sep Trf Pt						34. SIGNATURE OF OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO SIGN Richard A Bailey					

DD FORM 214  
1 NOV 72

PREVIOUS EDITIONS OF THIS  
FORM ARE OBSOLETE.

THIS IS AN IMPORTANT RECORD  
SAFEGUARD IT.

REPORT OF SEPARATION FROM ACTIVE DUTY